

Competition, not monopoly, should be the goal in American business, politics, and life. A marketplace of ideas is the only true way to ensure a healthy democracy. The changes you are considering would choke off competition and make the mass media a "vast wasteland". Have you been to any small cities lately? Do you know what passes for "news" in those papers? Is that what we want for the entire country? A vast connected network of 6 o'clock news style info-tainment? The democracy cannot survive such a transformation.

Keep the media rules as they are.

Chairman Powell, the consolidation of media is not in the best interest of the citizens of the United States. What is your benefit and role? Please, examine your motives and your responsibility to our country. Thank you for your time.